



The Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery, located 7 miles north of Little Falls, was opened in June of 1994. The cemetery is operated by the State of Minnesota through the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs.

Burial is open to all Veterans discharged from active military service under conditions other than dishonorable. Their spouses, minor children, and under certain conditions, unmarried adult children are also eligible for burial. Eligible spouses may be buried, even if they predecease the Veteran. Also eligible for burial are members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, the National Guard, and the Reserve Officer Training Corps who die while on active duty for training or performing service, or who have 20 years of service in reserve components of the Armed Forces creditable for retired pay.

The Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery and other state Veterans cemeteries are a compliment to the National Cemetery Administration. The National Cemetery Administration provides support to state cemeteries in the form of grants that can be used for development, expansion, and/or improvement. The National Cemetery Administration does not provide funding for the operation of state Veterans cemeteries.

Anyone interested in burial at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery is encouraged to complete a pre-registration application. Pre-registration establishes the Veteran's eligibility for burial, however, it does not reserve a gravesite. The cemetery director assigns gravesites at the time of death. Pre-registration applications can be obtained at the cemetery office, or through your local County Veterans Service Office, or online at www.mdva.state.mn.us/cemetery.



Operated and Maintained by

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Department of Veterans Affairs
20 West 12th Street
Saint Paul, MN 55155-2079

Cemetery Hours

Visitors may visit the cemetery grounds during daylight hours, seven days per week.

The cemetery office is open from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Monday – Friday (closed on State holidays).

Contact the Cemetery Office

Phone: (320) 616-2527
Email: Info.CemLF@state.mn.us



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15550 Hwy 115
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FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
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Burial Arrangements

The funeral director or the next of kin makes burial arrangements for an eligible Veteran, spouse or dependent at the time of need by contacting the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery. A spouse or dependent is buried based upon the eligibility of the Veteran.

To establish the Veteran's eligibility the following must be provided, a copy of the Veteran's military discharge document or a DD214. If these documents are not available, the cemetery must be provided with sufficient military information to allow the cemetery to access VA and/or military records to establish eligibility.

The cemetery staff will set a tentative date for the committal service pending verification of service and character of discharge, and will notify the applicant when the committal service is scheduled. The proposed date and time will be approved only when the cemetery verifies eligibility and confirms the arrangements.

Floral Policies

Fresh cut flowers may be placed on graves at any time. Temporary containers and water are provided in locations around the main cemetery drive. Floral items will be removed from graves by cemetery personnel as soon as they become faded or unsightly.

Artificial flowers may be placed on graves during the periods specified on the Floral Regulation signs located around the main cemetery drive. Plantings, statues, vigil lights, breakable objects of any nature and any other type of commemorative items are not permitted on the graves.

Committal Services

All committal services should be brief and need to start on the hour at the scheduled time. Families who extend their services can greatly affect others who have reserved the following time. All committal services are held in our committal service building rather than at the actual gravesite because of our burial rate and operations considerations. This ensures the family's safety and provides a fitting location for military honors and the ability of our staff to continue cemetery operations.

The remains are removed from the committal service building for burial following the family's departure and are never left unattended by cemetery staff.

Clergy services and other arrangements are the responsibility of the family or family representative. These arrangements are normally coordinated through the chosen funeral director.

1 MAIN ENTRANCE

2 COLUMBARIUM

3 FLAG ASSEMBLY AREA

4 ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTAL SERVICE BUILDING

5 MEMORIAL WALKWAY



MINNESOTA STATE VETERANS CEMETERY
LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

Casket

A pre-placed graveliner will be provided, by the cemetery, for all casket burials. Traditional gravesites are available for individuals who choose to purchase a sealed burial vault from their chosen funeral director.

See the general information section of this brochure for the cost of casket interment.

Cremation (In-ground)

In-ground cremation gravesites provide a traditional burial option for cremated remains. In-ground cremation gravesites are marked with an upright granite headstone. The choice for the placement of cremated remains either in-ground or above-ground will need to be determined by the next-of-kin.

See the general information section of this brochure for the cost of in-ground interment of cremated remains.

Cremation (Columbarium)

The columbarium provides an above-ground option for cremated remains. Columbarium niches are marked with a granite niche cover. The choice for the placement of cremated remains either in-ground or above-ground will need to be determined by the next-of-kin.

See the general information section of this brochure for the cost of placement of cremated remains in the columbarium.

General Information

What is Provided?

- Gravesite or Columbarium Niche
- Pre-placed Graveliner (Standard Size)
- Headstone/Niche Cover
- Perpetual Care

What is the Cost?

Veteran:

\$0 all burial options

Spouse/Eligible Dependent*:

\$700 all burial options, effective March 1, 2013**

*Fees cannot be prepaid and are subject to change.

**\$250 casket burial if veteran was buried in cemetery prior to November 1, 2003.

Is Pre-Registration Available?

Yes. This ensures your eligibility in advance and eliminates delays in providing military documents to the cemetery. Pre-registration applications are available at the cemetery office or at your local County Veterans Service Office.

How are Committal Services Handled?

The cemetery can do seven committal services per day, Monday – Friday, on a first-come first-served basis.

Times: Every hour, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (3 p.m. is cremation only).

Committal services are limited to 20 minutes.

Military Honors

The cemetery can arrange for honor guard services through our Memorial Rifle Squad and the Minnesota Military Funeral Honors Program.